

I believe it is absolutely necessary to limit the ownership of the media. It is already too concentrated. The rules must be set to maximize information and points of view, not profits. The media should not be judged by ordinary business rules. Three American automobile companies may be OK (as long as there is foreign competition), a few steel companies is OK (because it's a dying industry and there is global oversupply), a few railroads may be OK (because there is sufficient competition from trucking), but information should not be allowed to be concentrated. The unbalanced coverage of most of the American military involvement in Iraq should be a warning sign. The unbalanced coverage of the tax cut, should be a warning sign. We cannot allow only a few business ventures to control our flow of ideas and information. If anything, on June 2, roll back some of the rules allowing concentration. Disallow automated radio stations that appear local but are not. At a minimum require disclosure.